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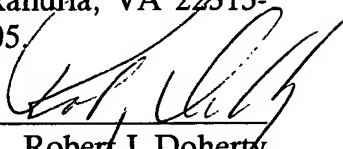


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/735,220
Applicant : JO ANN PUTNAM SCHOLES
Filed : December 12, 2003
Title : HANDHELD DEVICE FOR HOLDING
PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS

TC/A. U. : 3677
Examiner : Chuck Y. Mah

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1 – 4 are canceled;
Claims 5 and 6 are amended;
Claims 7 – 10 are canceled; and
Claims 11 and 12 are newly presented.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
Page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 5 of this paper.